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Sir:

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## REMARKS

Listed below is a document cited in the European Search Report mailed on January 31, 2003 in the related European Patent Application No. 99924252.2. A copy of the Report is enclosed, together with a copy of this document.

(EW) HALTER et al., "Evaluation of a Monoclonal Anti-Gastrin Antibody as a Tool for Immunoneutralization of Gastrin During Omeprazole in Treatment in the Rat", Gastroenterology, 96(5): A194 (1989) (ABSTRACT)

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